

**BUREAU FOR MEDICAL SERVICES  
WEST VIRGINIA MEDICAID  
PREFERRED DRUG LIST**

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<b>DRUG CLASS</b>	<b>PREFERRED</b>	<b>NON-PREFERRED</b>
PROTON PUMP INHIBITORS <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 1/7/03</i>	lansoprazole (Prevacid)** rabeprazole (AcipHex)**	esomeprazole (Nexium) omeprazole (Prilosec) pantoprazole (Protonix)
MINIMALLY SEDATING ANTIHISTAMINES AND COMBINATIONS <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 1/7/03</i>	desloratadine (Clarinex) loratadine (Claritin) loratadine/pseudoephedrine (Claritin-D 12 hour, Claritin-D 24 hour)	cetirizine (Zyrtec) cetirizine/pseudoephedrine (Zyrtec-D) fexofenadine (Allegra) fexofenadine/pseudoephedrine (Allegra-D)
LEUKOTRIENE RECEPTOR AGONISTS <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 1/7/03</i>	montelukast (Singulair)	zafirlukast (Accolate) zileuton (Zyflo)
BETA AGONISTS (INHALED & PERORAL) <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 1/7/03</i>	albuterol/ipratropium MDI (Combivent) albuterol HFA MDI (Proventil HFA) albuterol syrup, tablets, CFC MDI, inhalation solution ♦ metaproterenol syrup, tablets, inhalation solution ♦ pirbuterol MDI (Maxair, Maxair Autohaler) salmeterol (Serevent, Serevent Diskus) terbutaline ♦ levalbuterol inhalation solution (Xopenex)	albuterol/ipratropium inhalation solution (Duoneb) albuterol HFA MDI (Ventolin HFA) albuterol inhalation solution (Accuneb) albuterol SR tablets (Volmax) formoterol MDI (Foradil) metaproterenol MDI (Alupent)
HISTAMINE 2 ANTAGONISTS <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 1/7/03</i>	cimetidine (Tagamet)♦ famotidine (Pepcid)♦ nizatidine (Axid)♦ ranitidine (Zantac)♦ ranitidine syrup (Zantac)	famotidine orally disintegrating (Pepcid RPD) famotidine suspension (Pepcid) ranitidine 150mg (Zantac EFFERdose)
ANTIMIGRAINE (TRIPTANS) <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 1/7/03</i>	almotriptan (Axert) sumatriptan (Imitrex) all forms	frovatriptan (Frova) naratriptan (Amerge) rizatriptan (Maxalt) zolmitriptan (Zomig) eletriptan (Relpax)<>
ANTIINCONTINENCE AGENTS <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 1/7/03</i>	flavoxate (Urispas) oxybutynin (Ditropan)♦ tolterodine (Detrol) tolterodine LA (Detrol LA)	oxybutynin XL (Ditropan XL)

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GLUCOCORTICOIDS, INHALED <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 1/7/03</i>	beclomethasone CFC (Vanceril) flunisolide (Aerobid, Aerobid M) fluticasone (Flovent, Flovent Rotadisk) fluticasone/salmeterol (Advair)	beclomethasone HFA (QVAR) budesonide (Pulmicort Turbuhaler) budesonide (Pulmicort Respules)*** triamcinolone (Azmacort)
LIPOTROPICS, OTHER <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 1/7/03</i>	cholestyramine (Questran)♦ cholestyramine light (Questran Light)♦ colestipol (Colestid) gemfibrozil (Lopid)♦ niacin ER (Niaspan) fenofibrate (Tricor)	colesevelam (WelChol) niacin ER/lovastatin (Advicor) ezetimibe (Zetia)( <b>Implement 2/5/03</b> )
BETA-ADRENERGIC RECEPTOR BLOCKING AGENTS <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 1/7/03</i>	acebutolol (Sectral)♦ atenolol (Tenormin)♦ betaxolol (Kerlone)♦ bisoprolol (Zebeta)♦ carvedilol (Coreg) labetalol (Normodyne, Trandate) ♦ metoprolol (Lopressor)♦ metoprolol XL (Toprol XL) nadolol (Corgard)♦ pindolol (Visken)♦ propranolol (Inderal)♦ propranolol LA (Inderal LA) sotalol (Betapace)♦ timolol (Blocadren)♦	carteolol (Cartrol) penbutolol (Levatol) sotalol (Betapace AF)
CORTICOSTEROIDS, NASAL <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 1/7/03</i>	flunisolide (Nasalide)♦ fluticasone (Flonase) mometasone (Nasonex)	flunisolide (Nasarel) beclomethasone (Beconase, Vancenase) beclomethasone AQ (Beconase AQ, Vancenase AQ) budesonide (Rhinocort) budesonide aqua (Rhinocort Aqua) triamcinolone (Nasacort) triamcinolone AQ (Nasacort AQ)
CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	diltiazem (Cardizem)♦ diltiazem SR ( Cardizem SR, Cardizem CD, Dilacor XR)♦ felodipine (Plendil) isradipine (Dynacirc) isradipine SR (Dynacirc CR) nicardipine (Cardene)♦ nifedipine SR (Adalat CC, Procardia XL)♦ nimodipine (Nimotop) nisoldipine (Sular) verapamil (Calan, Isoptin)♦ verapamil ER (Verelan PM) verapamil SR (Calan SR, Isoptin SR)♦	amlodipine (Norvasc) bepridil (Vascor) nicardipine SR (Cardene SR) nifedipine (Adalat, Procardia) generic and brand verapamil ER (Covera-HS) verapamil SR (Verelan) diltiazem SR (Tiazac)

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HMG-CoA REDUCTASE INHIBITORS <i>Effective 10/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	fluvastatin (Lescol) fluvastatin XL (Lescol XL) lovastatin (Mevacor)♦ lovastatin ER (Altocor) simvastatin (Zocor)	atorvastatin (Lipitor) pravastatin (Pravachol)
NARCOTIC ANALGESICS <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	all generics acetaminophen/caffeine/dihydrocodeine bitartrate (Synalgos-DC) fentanyl transdermal (Duragesic) hydrocodone/acetaminophen (Maxidone) morphine sulfate ER (Kadian) morphine sulfate ER (Avinza) oxycodone (Roxicodone) tablets oxycodone/acetaminophen (Roxicet) tramadol/acetaminophen (Ultracet)†	aspirin/caffeine/dihydrocodeine bitartrate (Synalgos-DC) fentanyl citrate (Actiq) hydrocodone bitartrate/ibuprofen (Vicoprofen) oxycodone (Roxicodone Intensol) oxycodone CR (OxyContin) propoxyphene napsylate (Darvon-N)
NSAIDS <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	all generics rofecoxib (Vioxx)** valdecoxib (Bextra)**	celecoxib (Celebrex) diclofenac/misoprostol (Arthrotec) meloxicam (Mobic) meclofenamic acid (Ponstel)
HYPOGLYCEMICS, BIGUANIDES <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	glipizide/metformin (Metaglip) <b>(Effective 2/1/03)</b> rosiglitazone/metformin (Avandamet) <b>(Effective 2/1/03)</b> metformin (Glucophage)♦ metformin XR (Glucophage XR) metformin/glyburide (Glucovance)	
HYPOGLYCEMICS, INSULINS <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	human insulin (Novolin, Novolog) human insulin (Relion) insulin glargine (Lantus)	human insulin (Humulin, Humalog) all insulin pens and devices
HYPOGLYCEMICS, POST-PRANDIAL <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	nateglinide (Starlix) repaglinide (Prandin)	
HYPOGLYCEMICS, SULFONYLUREAS <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	glimepiride (Amaryl) glipizide (Glucotrol)♦ glyburide (Micronase, DiaBeta)♦ glyburide extended release (Glynase)♦	glipizide XL (Glucotrol XL) acetohexamide (Dymelor and generics) chlorpropamide (Diabinese and generics) tolazamide (Tolinase and generics) tolbutamide (Orinase and generics)
HYPOGLYCEMICS, THIAZOLIDINEDIONES <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	rosiglitazone (Avandia) pioglitazone (Actos)	

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MACROLIDES <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	azithromycin (Zithromax) clarithromycin (Biaxin) clarithromycin (Biaxin XL) erythromycin♦ excluding erythromycin estolate	dirithromycin (Dynabac) troleandomycin (Tao) erythromycin estolate cinoxacin (Cinobac)
BONE RESORPTION SUPPRESSION AGENTS <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	alendronate (Fosamax) calcitonin-salmon (Miacalcin) etidronate (Didronel) risedronate (Actonel) raloxifene (Evista) ( <b>Effective 2/1/03</b> )	
ANGIOTENSIN II RECEPTOR BLOCKERS <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	eprosartan (Teveten) losartan (Cozaar) losartan/HCTZ (Hyzaar) olmesartan (Benicar) telmisartan (Micardis) telmisartan/HCTZ (Micardis HCT) valsartan (Diovan) valsartan/HCTZ (Diovan HCT)	candesartan (Atacand) candesartan/HCTZ (Atacand HCT) irbesartan (Avapro) irbesartan/HCTZ (Avalide)
ANTIFUNGALS, TOPICAL <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	clotrimazole/betamethasone (Lotrisone)♦ ketoconazole (Nizoral)♦ naftifine (Naftin) nystatin (Mycostatin)♦ nystatin/triamcinolone (Mycolog)♦ sulconazole (Exelderm)	butenafine (Mentax) ciclopirox (Loprox) ciclopirox (Penlac) econazole (Spectazole) oxiconazole (Oxistat) terbinafine (Lamisil)
ANTIFUNGALS, ORAL <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	clotrimazole (Mycelex Troche) fluconazole (Diflucan)† ketoconazole (Nizoral)♦** nystatin♦ terbinafine (Lamisil)**	flucytosine (Ancobon) itraconazole (Sporanox) griseofulvin (brand & generic)
ACE INHIBITOR/CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKER, COMBINATIONS <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	amlodipine/benazepril (Lotrel) verapamil SR/trandolapril (Tarka)	felodipine/enalapril (Lexxel)
ESTROGEN AGENTS, ORAL AND TRANSDERMAL <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	Transdermal patch (All brands, Vivelle, Vivelle DOT, Esclim, Alora, Climara, Estraderm and generics) conjugated estrogens (Premarin) esterified estrogens (Menest) estradiol (Estrace)♦ estropipate (Ortho-Est, Ogen)♦	synthetic conjugated estrogens (Cenestin)

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ESTROGEN AGENTS, COMBINATION <i>Effective 12/1/02 Implement 2/5/03</i>	17 $\beta$ -estradiol/norethindrone acetate (Activella) 17 $\beta$ -estradiol/norethindrone acetate (Combipatch) 17 $\beta$ -estradiol/norgestimate (Ortho-Prefast) conjugated estrogens/ medroxyprogesterone acetate (Premphase)	conjugated estrogens/ medroxyprogesterone acetate (Prempro) esterified estrogens/ ethyltestosterone (Estratest, HS) ethinyl estradiol/norethindrone acetate (Femhrt)
SKELETAL MUSCLE RELAXANTS <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	baclofen♦ carisoprodol♦ carisoprodol compound♦ carisoprodol compound with codeine♦ chlorzoxazone♦ cyclobenzaprine♦ methocarbamol♦ methocarbamol with ASA♦ orphenadrine♦ orphenadrine/ASA/caffeine♦ tizanidine♦	dantrolene (Dantrium) metaxolone (Skelaxin)
QUINOLONES <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	ciprofloxacin (Cipro) moxifloxacin (Avelox)	cinoxacin (Cinobac) gatifloxacin (Tequin) levofloxacin (Levaquin) lomefloxacin (Maxaquin) norfloxacin (Noroxin) ofloxacin (Floxin) ciprofloxacin extended-release (Cipro XL)↔
SELECTED INTRAOCULAR PRESSURE REDUCERS <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	brimonidine (Alphagan P) brinzolamide (Azopt) dipivefrin♦ dorzolamide (Trusopt) dorzolamide/timolol (Cosopt) epinephrine ♦ epinephryl borate♦ pilocarpine♦ pilocarpine/epinephrine♦	
PROSTAGLANDIN INHIBITORS, OPHTHALMIC <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	bimatoprost (Lumigan) 2.5 ml latanoprost (Xalatan) travoprost (Travatan)	bimatoprost (Lumigan) 5 ml unoprostone (Rescula)
BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERPLASIA (BPH)/MICTURITION AGENTS <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	doxazosin (Cardura)♦ finasteride (Proscar) tamsulosin (Flomax) terazosin (Hytrin)♦	dutasteride (Avodart)↔

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ATOPIC DERMATITIS IMMUNE MODULATORS <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	pimecrolimus (Elidel)	tacrolimus (Protopic)
AMINOSALICYLATES/ ULCERATIVE COLITIS AGENTS <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	balsalazide (Colazal) mesalamine (Asacol) mesalamine (Rowasa) olsalazine (Dipentum) sulfasalazine♦ sulfasalazine EC♦	mesalamine (Pentasa)
ANTIEMETIC/ ANTIVERTIGO AGENTS <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	<b>ANTIEMETIC</b> hydroxyzine♦ metoclopramide♦ ondansetron (Zofran) ondansetron (Zofran) ODT prochlorperazine♦ promethazine♦  <b>ANTIVERTIGO</b> meclizine♦ scopolamine, oral (Scopace) scopolamine, transdermal (Transderm Scop)	<b>ANTIEMETIC</b> dolasetron (Anzemet) dronabinol (Marinol) gransetron (Kytril) thiethylperazine maleate (Torecan)
ACE INHIBITORS <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	benazepril (Lotensin) benazepril/HCTZ (Lotensin HCT) captopril (Capoten)♦ captopril/HCTZ (Capozide)♦ enalapril (Vasotec)♦ enalapril/HCTZ (Vasoretic)♦ fosinopril (Monopril) fosinopril/HCTZ (Monopril HCT) lisinopril (Prinivil/Zestril)♦ lisinopril/HCTZ (Prinzide/Zestoretic) moexipril (Univasc) moexipril/HCTZ (Uniretic) quinapril (Accupril) quinapril/HCTZ (Accuretic) trandolapril (Mavik)	perindopril (Aceon) ramipril (Altace)

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CEPHALOSPORIN AND RELATED ANTIBIOTICS <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	<p><b>FIRST GENERATION</b>            cefadroxil (Duricef)♦            cephalexin (Keflex)♦            cephradine (Velosef)♦</p> <p><b>SECOND GENERATION</b>            cefaclor (Ceclor)♦            cefuroxime axetil (Ceftin)♦</p> <p><b>THIRD GENERATION</b>            cefdinir (Omnicef)            cedidoren pivoxil (Spectracef)            cefixime (Suprax)</p> <p><b>PENICILLIN/BETA LACTAMASE INHIBITOR</b>            amoxicillin/clavulanate (Augmentin)♦            amoxicillin/clavulanate (Augmentin ES-600)            amoxicillin/clavulanate (Augmentin XR)</p>	<p><b>SECOND GENERATION</b>            cefprozil (Cefzil)            loracarbef (Lorabid)</p> <p><b>THIRD GENERATION</b>            cefpodoxime proxetil (Vantin)            ceftibuten (Cedax)</p>
PLATELET AGGREGATION INHIBITORS <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	aspirin♦(OTC) aspirin/dipyridamole ER (Aggrenox) clopidogrel (Plavix) dipyridamole (Persantine)♦ ticlopidine (Ticlid)♦	
INTERMITTENT CLAUDICATION MEDICATIONS <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	pentoxifylline (Trental)♦ cilostazol (Pletal)	
SEDATIVES/HYPNOTICS <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	estazolam (ProSom)♦ temazepam (Restoril)♦ temazepam (Restoril 7.5mg) zolpidem (Ambien)	quazepam (Doral) zaleplon (Sonata) chloral hydrate flurazepam (Dalmane) triazolam (Halcion)
ANTIDEPRESSANTS, OTHER <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	bupropion (Wellbutrin)♦ bupropion XR (Wellbutrin SR) mirtazapine (Remeron) mirtazapine (Remeron SolTab) trazodone (Desyrel)♦	venlafaxine (Effexor) venlafaxine (Effexor XR) nefazodone (Serzone)

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STIMULANTS++ <i>Effective 1/1/03 Implement 3/5/03</i>	desmethylphenidate (Focalin)++ dextroamphetamine◆++ methylphenidate◆++ methylphenidate ER◆++ methylphenidate ER (Concerta)++ methylphenidate ER (Metadate CD)++ methylphenidate ER (Methylin ER)++ mixed salt amphetamines◆++ mixed salt amphetamines (Adderall XR)++ pemoline◆++	methamphetamine (Desoxyn) modafinil (Provigil) methylphenidate ER (Ritalin LA) atomoxetine (Strattera)<>
<b>Phase IV</b>		
OPHTHALMICS, ALLERGIC CONJUNCTIVITIS <i>Effective 2/1/03 Implement 4/9/03</i>	azelastine hydrochloride (Optivar) cromolyn sodium (Opticrom)◆ emedastine difumarate (Emadine) ketorolac tromethamine (Acular) ketotifen fumarate (Zaditor) levocabastine (Livostin) loteprednol (Alrex) olopatadine hydrochloride (Patanol)	lodoxamide tromethamine (Alomide) nedocromil sodium (Alocril) pemirolast potassium (Alamast)
ANTIVIRALS, GENERAL <i>Effective 2/1/03 Implement 4/9/03</i>	acyclovir (Zovirax)◆ amantadine (Symmetrel)◆ ganciclovir (Cytovene) rimantadine (Flumadine)◆ valacyclovir (Valtrex)	famciclovir (Famvir)* valganciclovir (Valcyte) zanamivir (Relenza) oseltamivir (TamiFlu)
NASAL PREPARATIONS, OTHER <i>Effective 2/1/03 Implement 4/9/03</i>		ipratropium nasal 0.03% (Atrovent Nasal Spray) ipratropium nasal 0.06% (Atrovent Nasal Spray) azelastine (Astelin)
ERYTHROPOIESIS STIMULATING PROTEINS <i>Effective 2/1/03 Implement 4/9/03</i>	rHuEPO (Epogen)** rHuEPO (Procrit)**	darbepoetin (Aranesp)
PHOSPHATE BINDERS <i>Effective 2/1/03 Implement 4/9/03</i>	calcium acetate (PhosLo) magnesium carbonate, calcium carbonate, folic acid (Magnebind 400 Rx)	sevelamer (RenaGel)*
HYPOGLYCEMICS, ALPHA-GLUCOSIDASE INHIBITORS <i>Effective 2/1/03 Implement 4/9/03</i>	miglitol (Glyset)	acarbose (Precose)

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IMMUNOMODULATORY AGENTS FOR MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS <i>Effective 2/1/03 Implement 4/9/03</i>	interferon beta-1a (Rebif)** interferon beta-1b (Betaseron)**	glatiramer (Copaxone) interferon beta-1a (Avonex)
ANTICOAGULANTS, INJECTABLES <i>Effective 2/1/03 Implement 4/9/03</i>	dalteparin (Fragmin)** fondaparinux (Arixtra)** enoxaparin (Lovenox)**	tinzaparin (Innohep)
ANTIDEPRESSANTS, SELECTIVE SEROTONIN REUPTAKE INHIBITORS (SSRIs) <i>Effective 2/1/03 Implement 4/9/03</i>	citalopram (Celexa) fluoxetine (Prozac)♦ fluvoxamine (Luvox)♦ paroxetine (Paxil) paroxetine CR (Paxil CR) sertraline (Zoloft)	escitalopram (Lexapro) fluoxetine ER (Prozac Weekly) fluoxetine (Sarafem)
ANTIPSYCHOTICS, ATYPICAL <i>Effective 2/1/03 Implement 4/9/03</i>	clozapine (Clozaril)♦ quetiapine (Seroquel) risperidone (Risperdal) ziprasidone (Geodon)	aripiprazole (Abilify) olanzapine (Zyprexa) olanzapine (Zyprexa Zydis)
ALZHEIMER'S AGENTS <i>Effective 2/1/03 Implement 4/9/03</i>	donepezil (Aricept) galantamine (Reminyl) rivastigmine (Exelon)	tacrine (Cognex)

♦ Generic forms only.

\* Status pending.

\*\* Prior authorization required.

\*\*\* No prior authorization required for children through 8 years of age.

† Prior authorization required after limits exceeded.

++ Prior authorization required for adults > age 18 years.

<> New drug, not yet reviewed.